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Sir:

Applicant wishes to bring to the attention of the Examiner the documents identified on the attached form PTO-1449. Applicant respectfully requests that these documents be made of record in the present application.

REMARKS:

US 6,524,208 is the English language equivalent of DE 197 27 153. US 3,803,834 is the English language equivalent of DE 25 58 778. US 5,946,984 is the English language equivalent of DE 196 50 339.

The following comments are provided by Applicants' German attorney:

DE 902 699 discloses a bevel gear transmission characterized by supporting the bevel pinion independent from the transmission housing. It would be realized by using a tubular bearing-receiving device for supporting the bevel pinion shaft, whereby the bevel-receiving device could be inserted into the housing and connected with this. Also the bevel pinion-receiving device forms a flange for realizing the connection with further cylindrical gear elements or a cover. For inserting the tubular bearing-receiving device holes and openings respectively on all sides of the housing are used. The non-used openings are closed by cover means.

DE 12 84 804 discloses a housing for a one - or multiple-stage transmission and gear unit respectively having two parts. The housing comprises a one side opening case which could be used for all different and desired types comprising receiving holes having the same positions for all different types receiving the output shaft and their bearings. The case could be closed by a cover arranged parallel to the output shaft for receiving the input shaft or the input shaft and an intermediate shaft with bearings.

WO 99/45295 concerns a hydrodynamic mechanical transmission unit comprising a bevel gear and/or further planetary gear for realizing different output shaft solutions.

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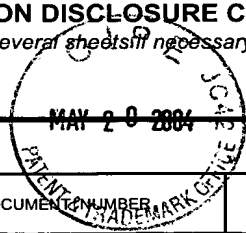
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	1 284 804	12/1968	Germany				✓
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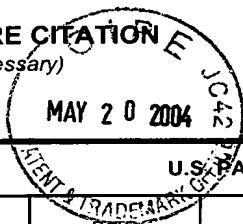
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